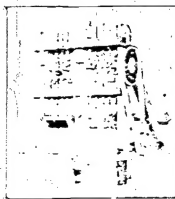


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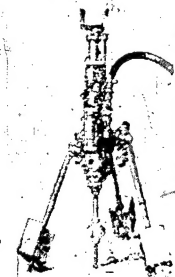
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Nearly all the paying quartz mines in the west are being operated profitably on the same principle, the handling of great masses of ore daily by approved methods of extraction and reduction.

These processes, which cost money and demand ingenuity, great economy and extensive experience, are the principal features of the business. Few fortunes are now made in mining by lucky discoveries.

Even the rich gold fields of the Klondike must hereafter be worked on the principle governing successful mining elsewhere to make them profitable.

To secure such extraordinary results from a poverty of materials, mining men have been required to apply the strictest rules of economy and a thorough knowledge of the forces of nature to their operations.

Intelligence, experience and courage have been the prime agents of success.

Mining success is becoming more and more dependent upon these elements, coupled, of course, with those of money, for their employment, in the manner indicated, suggests the use of capital in large sums.

The most productive mine in California was on the market for years for a few thousand dollars, but no purchaser offered to buy it. During the first three months of this year it paid its owners \$900,000, and in the course of three years it has paid dividends amounting to nearly \$2,000,000.

It took big money to put the property in shape, and it also required the best of engineering skill, the economical use of every factor which was capable of contributing to a successful result.

The Transvaal mines—the best gold paying properties in the world—have been made to yield big profits through the exercise of similar qualities. And on these the future success of mining will be more dependent than it has been in the past.

In western Ontario we have a number of immense reefs which, with proper development and equipment, will in a few years rival the output of the great low grade properties of the Transvaal. Mining in Ontario has just passed the initial stage; it has been proven that we have great bodies of ore which can be worked at a profit with proper machinery and management.

The gold mines here are those

of the old company will continue energetically as ever, to look after new fields to conquer, and that they have other promising prospects to test, some of which may, and probably will, prove as good as that on Denmark lake. The policy of never taking up a property that did not show up well on the surface, and dropping even that, if on a fall trial it did not satisfy, is a good one. In mining, permanent success is often the result of knowing when to stop making a hole in the ground. More mining companies are wrecked by the pouring of their funds into these holes than in any other way, but from such foolishness this company is not likely to fail. Last week a number of samples from the latest workings, were brought in, owing however to the continued illness of the assayer, Mr. Brent, the results are not known.

Eagle Lake Properties.

E. Seager has just returned from the Eagle Lake district where he has been surveying a couple of properties for Messrs. Partington and Fomerai. Three locations have been surveyed on the same vein, and about an eighth of a mile of stripping has been done. The lead is from four to six feet wide and very rich, lots of visible gold being in evidence. Development work is proving the splendid value of the vein, and will be continued until the owners are fully satisfied.

Messrs. Higbee and Prendebale are developing another valuable property in the Eagle Lake district for an American syndicate, and we understand are getting good results.

The Victor Gold Mining Co.

The directors of the "Victor Gold Mining Co., this week let a contract to J. Downey for sinking 100 feet on their property on Denmark lake. This property is situated next to the Little Bobs, and has an immense vein with good values on the surface. The company has the utmost confidence that the values will be maintained and increased with depth. A proper record will be kept of each stage of development. The personnel of the company's directors gives assurance that everything will be conducted most economically, with the best methods.

Mr. Moyle was in town this week.

Mr. Preston, manager of the Olive mine, passed through town yesterday on his way to Winnipeg.

Mr. Sullivan arrived from the east Tuesday morning.

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They also report having examined an account from the Partington supply Co. for goods supplied to J. McNeil and companion, which they begged to place before the council before passing, as they did not expect McNeil to take to himself a companion at the town's expense. The report was received and adopted.

D. H. Currie, clerk of the board of revision, submitted his report stating that the meeting held Oct. 8th confirmed the report of the paid engineer for the construction of sewer on Lottio, Julia, Gertrude and Agnes streets.

On motion of Councillor McQuarrie and Cameron the report of the clerk of the Court of Revision was received and the clerk was instructed to write the Provincial Board of Health submitting a plan of said sewer for approval and the board of works was authorized to proceed with the construction of said sewer.

Moved by Couns. Rice and Deacon. That the clerk write P. H. Austin, assessor, instructing him to complete the roll by making declaration at once or the town will hold himself and landsmen liable for the losses that may be sustained thereby.

The mayor and clerk were authorized to issue a warrant for account of W. Greenwood for \$21.

The by-law to provide for discount for prompt payment of taxes received its several readings and was finally passed. The date fixed for payment at par is December 14.

The by-law respecting electors received its several readings and was finally passed and adopted, and Acting Mayor Hudson, who occupied the chair during the absence of Mayor McCarthy, was authorized to sign the by-law.

Several by-laws relating to sewers

Canada's Big Production.

"Canada will produce \$30,000,000 in gold in 1906," said a well known mining engineer. "Klondike will produce \$25,000,000; British Columbia about \$12,000,000; and the rest of the country \$3,000,000. I am inclined to think this estimate is not so far astray as the first glance might seem to indicate. I have met a dozen mine-owners from Dawson and all assure me that fully half the gold mined in Klondike is sent unrecorded out of the country. Mine-owners do not like the ten per cent royalty on the gross output. They manage to evade the royalty altogether in some cases, and they never pay more than sixty per cent of what the law calls for. Hence, wholesale deception to evade the royalty, and the consequent inability of the statistician to discover the real amount of gold coming out of the district. Klondike has had an enormous output this year, and I really believe \$25,000,000 is not an excessive estimate. Moreover, a vast amount of machinery is being imported, and claims are now being worked summer and winter, with the result of a greatly increased output. Indeed, the country, I believe, will in due time exceed the wildest predictions made for it a few years ago.—Butte Mining World.

"Malcolm Kirk," one of the best and most elevating stories ever published is commenced in this issue of THE MINER. It is by Rev. Chas. Sheldon, the talented author of "In His Steps." Read it and mention it to your friends. THE MINER will be sent for free to the end of the year.

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If by success we mean the full accomplishment of an end; the actual reaping of a harvest of results, then it is undoubtedly true that the higher and nobler the purpose the rarer will be the success. If we aim to relieve a man's hunger, we can quickly succeed in the easy task, but if we aim to inspire him with a desire to earn his own bread the work is more difficult and the success far more problematical. If we would restrain a thief from robbery, the prison bars and locks insure success, but if we would make an honest man of him our task is a complex one, and success may be afar off. We undertake to teach a child to read. If with requisite effort we follow up our task, we are successful; but if we aspire to raise the educational standard of our community how arduous the task, how uncertain the result, how questionable the success!

There is a man seeking nothing to do. See it and do it. The plain man, with a great thing to pursue, does not let his hands fall. Is his life, then, a failure? No! let us never imagine that any high purpose, any noble thought, any generous emotion, any earnest effort, is ever lost. We may never witness its growth. We may not live to gather its fruit or even to see its blossoms, but we may safely trust that somewhere and at some time the harvest will be abundant, and success, long hidden, shall become apparent.

The Wickedest Bit of Sea.

Nine out of ten travelers would tell inquirers that the roughest piece of water is that cruel stretch in the English channel, and nine out of ten travelers would say what was not true. As a matter of fact, "the wickedest bit of sea" is not in the Dover strait, or in yachting, for example, from St. Jean de Luz up to Pauillac, or across the Mediterranean "France" from Cadiz to Tangier, nor is it in rounding Cape Horn, where there is what sailors call a "true" sea. The "wickedest sea" is encountered in rounding the Cape of Good Hope for the eastern ports of Cape Colony.—Shipping World.

Flight of Time.

Old Med—Well, old man, how'd you sleep last night? Follow my advice about counting up?

New Med—Yes, indeed; counted up to 18,000.

Old Med—Bully! And then you fell asleep, eh?

New Med—Guess not; it was morning by that time, and I had to get up.

Never hear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds—all they have had, all they have now and all they expect to have.

Learn to keep your ears open and your mouth closed.

In the present home, where in the presence of her mother and sister, she freely told the story of her sickness and recovery. She said: "A few years ago I suffered a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, and was attended by one of the best physicians in the city. I pulled through but was left a complete wreck, so that I could not do any work, suffering all the time from palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration and a ringing sound in my head. I also had a distressing cough and for months I never knew what it was to have a good night's rest. For two years my life was a perfect misery to me and under the doctor's orders I took emulsion till I was nauseated with the sight of it, but did to no purpose. My life was despaired of by all my friends who were assured by the doctor that my case was beyond the reach of human skill. I was visited by the clergy of my church, and Sisters of Charity, who were very kind and sympathetic and looked upon me as one whose earthly race was about run. I experimented with all sorts of remedies for my cough, but without avail. My druggist at last advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Being fairly discouraged, nevertheless I was persuaded to make the trial, when to my surprise and joy of myself, family and friends, I began to get better, and by the time I had taken seven or eight boxes I was as well as you see me now," and she laughingly added, "I think you will admit that I don't look much like a sick woman." Her mother, who had been listening to the tale of her daughter's long illness, added: "It just seems like a dream to us all that we once despaired of her life, when we now see her the pink of health."

Mrs. Foran said that when on a visit to England about a year ago she contracted a heavy cold and was threatened with a return of her cough, but she at once got some of the pills and by the time she had reached New York she was as well as ever again. She related a number of instances in which she had advised persons suffering from chronic complaints to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and always with the best results. She mentioned particularly a niece of hers living in Boston who was run down and in a wretched condition of health, but was now a healthy young woman who owed the fact to the use of the pills. When the reporter was taking his leave Mrs. Foran said: "I am very glad to have the opportunity to testify what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me and you can say that I shall never cease to sound their praises and I bless the good Lord that they were placed in my way at a time when I had not the hope that I could live."

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DOMINION ELECTION.

Nominations on October 31—Voting November 7.

Wednesday, Nov. 7 next is the date fixed for the Dominion elections, with nominations Oct. 31. Both parties are getting thoroughly organized and the contest will be a hot one. Following is the standing of the two parties in the last house by provinces:

	Lib.	Con.
Ontario.....	52	4
Quebec.....	51	11
N. Brunswick.....	6	8
Nova Scotia.....	12	2
P. E. Island.....	3	1
N. W. T.....	2	1
B. C.....	4	2
Manitoba.....	5	2
	134	37

Mr. Dymont will again be the Liberal standard bearer in West Algoma. The Conservative candidate is not definitely chosen as yet. Mr. A. C. Boyce is undoubtedly the favorite at this end of the district and would prove a strong candidate. He is one of the best public speakers in the riding, and with his splendid ability in other directions would make a good representative.

Mining investments pay a good percentage of interest as will be seen by the following dividends paid by companies making regular reports. In August the different companies paid \$81,000,151. In the eight months of this year there was paid out \$27,195,530, which is equal to eight per cent on the total capital stock of the companies reporting. Montana disbursed \$9,183,825, or 2 per cent of its capital stock; Colorado, \$55,129,189, or 7 1/2 per cent; Michigan, \$2,799,000, or 28 per cent; Arizona, \$1,955,835, or 20 per cent; Utah, \$1,700,200, or three per cent; South Dakota, \$855,000 or 3 1/2 per cent; Idaho, \$875,000, or 6 1/2 per cent; Missouri-Kansas, \$184,290, or 4 per cent; Alaska, \$349,000 or five per cent; Washington, \$1055,000, or three per cent. Of the total disbursements the copper companies paid 62 per cent.

instance. They know that in time it will take the gilt off a good deal of their gingerbread, but they know by experience that, as the world develops, new industries grow. Some may pass from Britain to America, but others will succeed. Change is not necessarily decay. And I wish Americans could understand that the industrial development of the United States is not regarded with jealousy and envy by Great Britain, but rather with the quiet pride with which a man watches the progress in life of his own son.

A Former Canadian.

The following extract is from the Helena, Montana Sentinel. The Mr. Emmons referred to is a son of Mr. Edwin Emmons of this town. He is a candidate for the State legislature of Montana.

The recent state conventions, particularly the Labor and Populist conventions, afforded many men an opportunity to demonstrate the material of which they were made.

While there were many cases of perjury which might be passed over in silence, there were also shining examples of unquestioned integrity and true patriotism. In a delegation which was sent right on all occasions R. A. Emmons of Carbon, proved himself one of the noblest of the true men of the convention. Every man from Carbon labored earnestly and honestly in the interest of the principles involved and no man in all the convention had a better record at the close than Emmons of Red Lodge.

Every true Populist and every true union man in the conventions has the highest regard and respect for him and will never miss an opportunity of letting the fact be known.

Business Change.

Mr. R. E. Wellsman this week purchased the wholesale liquor business of Mr. J. W. Humble on Fort street. Mr. Humble has been in business for a number of years and has built up a splendid trade. The new proprietor, Mr. Wellsman, has been Mr. Humble's assistant, is popular, and a good business man. He will no doubt meet with the same success as has preceded.

One More Unfortunate

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THE ONTARIO MINES ACT.

Some Extracts Taken From the Statistical
Year Book of Canada.

ONTARIO.

The Mines Act of Ontario, provides for the abolition of all royalties imposed upon ores or minerals within the province. Reservations of gold, silver and other mines contained in any patent are made also void, and all such mines in and upon such lands are deemed to have been granted in fee simple and to have passed with the lands, excepting as to lands patented under the Free Grants and Homestead Act, and the Public Lands Act, being lands sold for agricultural purposes only.

Mines of nickel ore may be made workable under a license fee if the ores are not refined in Canada; but for the present this provision of the Act is held in abeyance.

Any person may explore for mines and minerals on any Crown land not staked out or occupied, and not withdrawn from sale by Order in Council as being valuable for pine timber or other reason. Crown lands supposed to contain ores or minerals may be sold as mining lands, called mining locations, or may, when situated within a mining division, be staked out and worked as mining claims under mining laws.

Mining locations containing not less than 4 acres, are sold as follows: If in a surveyed township and within six miles of a railway, \$3.50 per acre; if within twelve miles, \$5; if beyond twelve miles, \$2.50; if in unsurveyed territory, \$3, \$2.50 and \$2, according to distance from railway. All these lands revert to the Crown in default of the expenditure in actual mining operations of \$1 per acre during the first two years, and of \$1 per acre in each year of the next five years.

In addition to granting mining locations in the unpatented or unreserved lands, grants have of such lands for a term of ten years, and that the end of the term all rights have been paid and working conditions on the land have

ended on the claim, or paid to the Mining Recorder in lieu. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may upon having a survey made and upon complying with certain other requirements, purchase the land at \$5 per acre cash, but if the surface rights have already disposed of at \$2 an acre.

A location for mining iron and mica not exceeding 180 acres may be granted, but if therein other valuable mineral is discovered the miner's right is limited to the area prescribed for other minerals, the remainder reverting to the Crown.

The patent for a mining location reserves forever whatever royalty may hereafter be imposed on the sales, such royalty to be collected on sales made prior to issue of patent.

Sulphur Will Not Quit Fires.

Grant me space in your paper to make more generally known a fact which has been known to me many years and doubtless to others, that sulphur thrown into the fire of a stove, furnace or fireplace will instantly extinguish the fire in a chimney or flue. If a small bag or parcel of sulphur, say three or four ounces, were kept in a handy place and used when needed as directed above, it might be the means of saving property and perhaps life.

A Success.

"Was the wedding a success?"
"I guess so. The bride's mother was in tears, the groom's mother went her one better and had hysterics, you couldn't hear a word of the ceremony, and the church was so crowded that three women fainted. Yes, it was a success all right."

Milk is suggested as a good extinguishing agent for burning petroleum. It forms an emulsion with the oil, and by disturbing its cohesion attenuates the combustible element as water cannot.

Among the aborigines of Australia the most common form of punishment less than death is the sparing of the offender through different parts of the body.

Reading a Book.

A writer in the New York Medical Journal says that the curved pages of the ordinary book are injurious to the eye of the reader. The curvature necessitates a constant change of the focus of the eye as it reads from one side to another, and the ciliary muscles are under a constant strain. Moreover, the light falls unevenly upon both sides of the page, further interfering with a clear and close field of vision. It is suggested that the difficulty might be obviated if the pages should be printed parallel to the sides of a book at right angles to it.

Gold.

The gold of the world is won by an act of violence. Since 1840 a hundred million tons were mined in places where the gold is found in paying the cost of the fuel with the price of the labor as men panned washing the tub to pull in the bow.

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1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 278: 1019-1024.

Christian Endeavor Convention.

Report of the Proceedings at Guelph, October 2, 3, and 4.

The twelfth and most interesting convention of the Ontario Christian Endeavor union has passed into history. Some anxiety was expressed by the executive, as to the attendance at this convention, on account of the resolution that was passed at Hamilton in 1898, which does away with the free billowing system; but the delegates came notwithstanding these restrictions. There were in attendance over 50 delegates and the single rate was spent on all the railroads.

There was not a weak spot in all the program which covered the three days of the convention, the subjects were practical and popular, and the speakers were the best that have been heard in any of the C.E. conventions held in this province, not excepting the international of 1891 which was held in Montreal.

The local committee did their work well and the meeting and registration arrangements went very smoothly at the monthly headquarters in Chalmers Presbyterian church.

Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon, of Topeka, Kansas, and Wm. Shaw, of Boston, were the leading speakers from the United States, and in honor of them as well as the display of Christian Endeavor on the Stars and Stripes and Union Jack were draped from the pulpit of the convention church and the hymns joined together beneath the weight of the bible expressing the sentiment of the convention towards Christianity.

The addresses of welcome given by Dr. Bamford, Rev. W. J. Hindley, W. E. Graham and Mayer Nelson were suitably replied to by Rev. W. F. Wilson, of Hamilton, whose eloquence really will here become famous.

"The gentleman said he was highly honored to speak for the Endeavorers of Ontario who were now over 100,000 strong and an organization who love their home better than the school, the church better than the theater, the athlete better than the gambler, the bible better than the novel."

Wm. Shaw's address on "Lessons on religious work the nineteenth century ought to learn" was very much appreciated. A very cordial reception will be given Mr. Shaw when he comes here. Mr. Shaw when he comes here to Canada.

Only one speaker on the program was absent, Rev. Jas. Elliott, of Kingston, and he sent his address to be read.

Rev. W. B. McIntosh, of Eldora, Iowa, and the social life of the Endeavor and Dr. M. Steele, of Tavistock, on the social life of Endeavor then Wm. Shaw followed with a round table conference.

There were several rallies held in

Missionary banner, and Lambton the banner for the most aggressive work. The Junior rally was quite unique and, pretty, the Guelph Juniors' acquitting themselves splendidly as also did the Clinton Juniors, who gave a Bible drill.

The two largest churches in Guelph, Chalmers and Norfolk street, were taxed to their utmost capacity on the closing evening of the convention when hundreds were turned away. Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," Rev. J. L. Gilmour, of Hamilton, and Rev. W. G. Howson, of Clifton, were the speakers of the evening.

Rev. Shelton spoke in both churches on the subject "The Opera Door," and was greeted with a splendid ovation as the audience gave the Chataqua salute and sang "Blest be the tie that binds."

The next convention will be held in Brockville, October, 1901.

THE AUSTRALIAN COMEDY CO.

Appear at the Hilliard Opera House to Good Audiences.

One of the brightest companies that has ever appeared at the Hilliard opera house occupied the boards the first three evenings of this week. The Australian Comedy Co. is not a large company, but is composed of a number of light people, and they attracted large audiences. The stigma attaching to Sapfo on account of the immorality it achieved in New York through Olga Nethersole probably kept a number of people from attending. Through the moral tenor of the play does not appeal to Anglo-Saxons, yet the company handled what might be objectionable features in a manner which could suggest nothing immoral. Miss George Elliot is a splendid actress and took the difficult role of Sapfo to perfection. Mr. Alec Cochrane, who took the part of Jean Gaussin is an actor of good ability, with a splendid voice. He was, however, laboring under a great disadvantage while here on account of inflammation in the eyes, and of course did not appear at his best.

The company produced Caste on Tuesday and His Night Out on Wednesday evening. The latter play was very funny and kept the audience in laughter. The piece abounds in ludicrous situations and in sent bits of amusement.

Died From His Injuries.

Toronto, Oct. 11.—Isaac Warner, keeper of the Toronto government piggery at Humber, died late last night as the result of the injuries he sustained in a scuffle with Edward Towner a few days ago, resulting from a hot political discussion. Towner is at present held on a charge of wound-

On account of Painters

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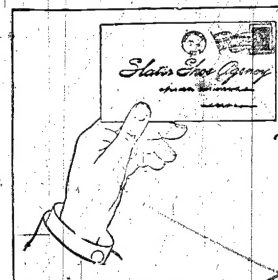
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NOTICE is hereby given that I have transmitted or delivered to the persons mentioned in sections 8 and 9 of the Ontario Voters' List Act, the copies required by said sections to be transmitted, a detailed list, made pursuant to said Act, of all persons appearing by the last Revised Assessment Roll of the said Municipality to be entitled to vote in the said municipality at elections for members of the Legislative Assembly and at municipal elections, and that the said List was posted up at my office at Port Arthur on the 18th day of September, 1900, and remains there for inspection.

Electors are called upon to examine the said List, and if any omissions or other errors are found therein, to

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Pap Perkins, the Postmaster of Jericho, Tells About the Meeting Which Discussed the Advantages of Starting a Brass Band.

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"Look here, pap," said Squar Johnson as he dropped into the postoffice one day when I was alone. "I've got a scheme on hand that'll do more to boost the town of Jericho to the top of the ladder than 40 miles of new sidewalk. Yes, sir, it's a boomer, and if it's carried out you'll see the price of real estate jump 50 per cent."

He waited for me to get my breath and then lowered his voice and continued:

"Pap, I've got a notice written out for all patriotic citizens of Jericho to assemble at the postoffice this evening, and I'll post her up on the door. I want to spring it on 'em all of a sudden. I want to see 'em turn pale and their hair stand up. Jest say to all inquirers, pap, that Jericho is coming right to the front like a steer going for a cornfield."

I wanted to know what the scheme was, but the squar winked and nodded and looked mysterious and went off

THE CRIMINAL CUCKOO.

It is the One Exception to the Kindly Nature of Birds.

Bad temper and cruelty are perhaps the most obvious signs of mental degeneration in the beasts. The larger monkeys, for instance, become as bad tempered as a violent man when they grow old, and many in their treatment of other animals are cruel as we use the word in regard to man. Among the carnivorous beasts the cat animates itself by torturing a mouse, and the weasel tribe kill for sheer love of killing. No such cruelty is seen among eagles or falcons. Pierce as their temperers are, they do not torment other birds which they catch or kill for killing's sake. Good temper is general among birds.

Except the cuckoo, such a thing as an ill tempered wild bird is unknown. Nowhere in the race can a temper like that of the Tasmanian devil or the wild hunting dog or the Cape buffalo on the balloon be found. Even those which in spring are thieves and egg robbers are not unkind to the young of their own species. Good temper and good fellowship in society, a personal affection to each other to which the beasts offer no parallel, industry and independence, intense devotion and foresight in tending their young, with other very human and engaging traits of character, must all be credited to the race of birds.

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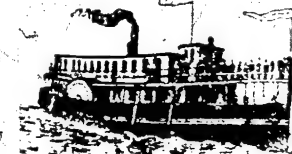
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MALCOM KIRK.

A Tale of Moral Heroism in Overcoming the World.

BY CHARLES M. SHELDON,

Author of "In His Steps," "Crucifixion of Philip Strong," "Robert Hardy's Seven Days."

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CHAPTER I.

The senior class in the theological seminary at Hermon had just had its picture taken by the photographer, and the members were still grouped about the steps of the chapel.

"There's one thing the photographer forgot," said a short, red faced man who sat in the middle of the group. "He didn't think to say, 'Look pleasant now, if you please!'"

"He didn't try to do it," said a man who spoke at a neighborly distance from the first speaker, and had his hands on the other's shoulders.

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"That's nothing," exclaimed one of the class after the laugh subsided. "I had a great time two weeks ago when I went up to Manchester to preach. I laid my notes down on the desk, and there was a strong breeze blowing across the pulpit, which stood directly between two open windows, and while the anthem was being sung half my sermon blew out of one of the windows."

"The congregation was spared just so much, then, wasn't it?" said a man down on the bottom step.

"Accidents will happen to any one," said Kirk quietly. "But mine are not accidents; they're habits of life. I can overcome them, though. The churches don't know that; so I don't blame them for not giving me a call."

"Well, I think it's a shame, as I said," the assistant pastor of the institutional church, repeated. "The churches think in the pulpit that they do of what he says. And they criticize everything from his progress in the pulpit."

There was silence again. The class had been over all that many times before, and they were practically a unit in their opinion of what the churches seemed to demand in a successful candidate for a call.

Finally some one occurred to the class picture again.

"I don't believe Kirk's in this picture at all. He sat too far out. The photographer kept telling him to move in farther. But I believe he moved out again just at the last minute."

"I only moved one of my feet out," said Kirk solemnly. "I think one of them was enough. I didn't want to pay extra for more than my share of the photograph."

"But we want the whole of you in the picture," Kirk said the man next to him, lay an affectionate hand on Kirk's arm.

The entire class turned around toward the awkward, shuffling figure and seemed to repeat the question of the one classmate. Then the talk drifted back again to the future plans of the men, and to the serious and humorous remarks of the three years' course, and one after another went away and the class group was broken up into little knots of two and three as the men walked to their rooms or lingered under the great elms, arm in arm.

Kirk and the companion who had been next to him on the same arm, were a little while on the steps.

"What are you going to do?" asked the companion.

The future for him was as indubitable and unsettled as any condition can be. Yet the strong, patient, undisturbed realities of his call to preach the gospel were as unmoved as the sky of that lovely June day. The light would soon fade out of the heavens, but the sky would still remain.

The next day was commencement at Hermon seminary. The chapel was filled with a representative congregation of Hermon people, friends and relatives of the classes, the trustees and officers of the seminary and the usual number of undergraduates.

Before the speaking began the president of the faculty came forward to make the usual list of announcements concerning the annual prizes and scholarships.

It was the custom at Hermon for the annual announcements to be made at the close of the exercises of commencement. For some reason, however, this order was changed, and the audience listened with unusual interest to the president's remarks.

He had read the names of the winners in Hebrew and New Testament scholarship and the successful man in the general work of the entire course. He paused now at the end of the list and then read the last name, looking down at the graduating class as he did so.

"The German scholarship is awarded to Malcom Kirk of the graduating class."

There had been a slight rustling of applause as the different names were read, but when Kirk's name was spoken the class applauded vigorously, and the clapping extended over the chapel very heartily. Kirk sat bolt upright and blushed very red, and Whiston, who was sitting by him, exclaimed in a loud whisper: "Good! That means \$700 and a year abroad."

Kirk said nothing. There was no question he was pleased. His lips trembled, and he shuffled his feet under the pew, and his great hands opened and shut nervously. When his turn came to go up on the platform to speak, he felt as if his natural awkwardness and stiness had been doubled by the attention directed to him by the winning of the best scholarship in the gift of the seminary.

The minute he began to speak all this stiness disappeared. It was true Kirk loved to face an audience. He loved people, and after the first moment of conscious fright was passed he eagerly entered the true speaker's position and enjoyed both the audience and his own effort in addressing it.

His subject was "The Business of Preaching." What was it? How did it differ from oratory? What was the object of preaching? What were the materials of preaching? And so on. He spoke straight on with his heart in what he said. It was in the thought of more than one minister in the audience that this man who had won the German scholarship had a remarkably good voice. More than one pastor felt like envying the peculiar tone of that voice.

It had a carrying quality that commanded attention and held it. And nearly every man on the scene felt that it was wonderful. Kirk had received no call from any church. There was no question as to his ability. The

theologians as a part of the fauna and flora of the town, but her interest had never gone any further than that. She had met Malcom Kirk several times during his three years' course. Once she had sat by him at a dinner given by her father to the class. She had found him an interesting talker and was surprised when she thought it over afterward. His homely hair, his shyness, his remarkable awkwardness, had amused her. She had laughed a little with her father about something that happened at the table. But she could not help listening to him today with added interest as he went on. Was it the voice? There was something very winning in it. There was none of the Yankee, New England nasal tone about it. It was full and deep and suggested an organ pipe exactly tuned.

Like Francis Raleigh, she seemed to lose all vital interest in the morning's programme when Kirk finished. While the next speaker was on the platform she turned her head to look over the



She followed Kirk's speech with especial interest.

chapel, and her eyes met those of Francis Raleigh. He smiled, and she returned the smile, while a slight color deepened on her face. And he thought to himself it was certainly more interesting to glance now and then at a face like Dorothy Gilbert's than to stare steadily at a tall, solemn young man on the platform who was talking about the "Philosophy of the Prophetic Idea" and its evolution in the Old Testament.

The programme was finished at last, and the friends of the graduates lingered about the platform, congratulating the different speakers. Very many of the visitors came up and warmly greeted Kirk. Among them was one alert, active, middle-aged man who said he wanted to see Kirk especially on a matter of importance. So the two went up to Kirk's room, and the stranger explained his business briefly.

CHAPTER II.

KIRK RECEIVES HIS SECOND CALL AND A LETTER FROM DOROTHY.

"I'm superintendent of the campus," said the man. "I want you to be a campus

missionary church?"

It was not at all contrary to his regular habits of life that he knelt down and prayed. It was a prayer of thanksgiving and also one of petition. He knew with perfect clearness as he knelt in his darkened room that he loved Dorothy Gilbert with all his might. The complete absurdity of his position had nothing to do with the fact that he loved her. She was rich, she was accomplished, she was beautiful, she was of an old and distinguished family, but he loved her. He was poor, he was plain looking, he had no prospects beyond his scholarship and \$700 or \$800 a year in a home missionary church, but he loved Dorothy Gilbert. It made no difference that his Christian training seemed to rebuke his choice of one so far removed from him in every way. That did not destroy his feeling for her and did not change it. In his prayer he cried for wisdom, he asked to be led by the Spirit.

He was not the man to wreck a life of Christian service on a passion of the heart, even if his hunger were never fed. But when he arose and went over to the alumni hall to join the class there at the final banquet he carried with him the knowledge that the future for him must have Dorothy Gilbert with it if he would do as he felt that he had a right to pray for.

The week that followed commencement day at Hermon found Kirk almost alone in the seminary building. He had been employed by one of the professors in doing some special copying of a book manuscript. In a few days this would be finished. He had fixed on the following Thursday to sail for Liverpool. He had determined to begin his studies as soon as possible. He had been to see the president of the faculty about his scholarship and, to his great relief, found that he was largely free to study in the way that seemed of most value to himself.

"You see, it's this way, sir," he had explained to the president. "It will do me very little good to go to a German university and take some special course in language or history. I feel the need of another method of study. If I can use this scholarship to study human conditions in large cities, going to the people for my material at first hand, it will be of infinitely larger value to me and to the seminary than a course in lectures and books."

"You are free to make out your own methods of study," replied the president. "According to the terms of the scholarship the only condition is a year spent abroad in some regular course of study with a report of it to be made within six months to the seminary."

So Kirk was happy in his thought of the year's work, and what he treasured had given him the check for the year and he had gone to the bank and cashed his passbook in the afternoon. He had a very little left over. He had come back to the seminary and had prepared a plan of his year's work. It was very simple and direct.

something to do with it. But when from that he was at his best while talking about his life work. Dorothy forgot that he was a theologian. Several times she was startled at her response to his enthusiasm. He had planned an original trip abroad, and the details of what he intended to do roused her native intensity to see results.

But right in the midst of his explanation of what he expected to do in London Kirk paused.

"I heard you playing the 'Traumerei' when I came in, Miss Gilbert. Will you please play it again?"

Dorothy looked surprised at the abrupt change, but without a word went to the piano and began. Kirk knew enough about music to know that she played well, better than any one he had ever heard.

When she finished, she turned about and said: "You will hear some good music while you are abroad, Mr. Kirk. The Germans, especially, furnish the people with the very best music in the parks and gardens at a very small price."

She suddenly colored deeply as she thought he might imply that she was thinking of his perfecting of his inability to hear expensive music in expensive places. If he thought of it, he made no sign that she noticed. But he said: "I shall never hear any better music than I have heard tonight."

The minute he had said it he felt the same timidity seize him that came over him the evening before. But it passed away quickly, and to his relief he felt a certain inward strength and a modest table courage. Dorothy was at first amused at the confidence with which she was suddenly excited by it. Kirk was as simple hearted as a child. He had revealed his secret in the tone and manner of his words. It was the last thing in the world he had intended to do when he came. But great and better and wiser men than Malcom Kirk have done as he did.

He rose at once and walked straight over to the fireplace. On the mantel was a miniature of Dorothy, painted by a New York artist, a young woman who was famous for such work.

"I have no right," Kirk spoke without a tremor—"but if I take this and keep it for a year secretly to guard it from every eye but my own and never to speak of it and then return it when I come back."

She was so surprised that her self-possession failed her. Kirk's hand was on the miniature with a mastery that Dorothy noticed even at that moment.

"You are not unwilling? I make no claim. I have none. I simply shall keep it for a year. Perhaps the constant sight of it will prove to me how hopeless!"

The man paused and looked straight at Dorothy. There was something so hungry and at the same time so unfeeling in his look that again Dorothy was speechless. He took the picture, and it lay in his great palm a moment, and then his fingers closed slowly over it. He looked up at her again. She had turned away and was nervously tracing the lines with her fingers on the table.

"I have no right to it," she said. "I have no right to it," she said. "I have no right to it," she said.

...impression Malcolm Kirk made on
people was that of downright sincerity.
The longer people knew him the stron-
ger this impression grew.

Malcom Kirk looked out across the great seminary campus and spoke with a conscious cry of heart longing. The beautiful June day was nearly gone.

She did not attempt to reason with herself about the interest she felt in Malcom Kirk's appearance. Theologues in general were mildly stupid creatures to her. She had been born

ular commencement dinner was served at 1. He walked up and down his darkened room talking to himself. His future was at last decided—at least for a time. He had some place in the

She was playing the piano again, but this time alone. She turned around as Kirk entered and smiled as if she were glad to see him, and before he had time to think of any possible shyness he was talking about his prospects, the places he expected to visit, the methods he was planning to use.

As the talk went on Dorothy Gilbert grew more interested. Kirk's voice had

has written an article (of "Napoleon, the Boy," to appear in *The Youth's Companion* of October 11. He paints a vivid picture of the early friendships and struggles of a boy of humble origin who became the greatest soldier and statesman of his time, and conqueror of the French.



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Local Interest

Mr. A. Milner, of Mikado, is in town for a few days.

Mrs. N. Harbottle and family, of Mikado, are the guests of Mrs. C. W. Chadwick, Lakeside.

B. J. Hodgins, of Hawk Lake, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Jas. T. Cuthbertson and H. C. Paterson left via Bonheur, for the A. C. G. Express Co's camp, Seine river.

Mrs. H. C. Paterson and family are in town.

Mrs. D. McKenzie and family, of Beaudre's Landing, are visiting her parents at the Central.

Mr. Deversall, of D. W. Paterson's, left for his old home, Delhi.

Mr. God. Brown and the Sewell left for Cross Lake on Wednesday morning in search of ducks.

All the Steamers of the Rainy River Navigation Co. are in service throughout the great majority of the year now. The Central, Port Francis and the Rainy points.

J. C. Burns, his wife, consolidated his two city grocers and set the building up on a new basis. The shop is in the Matheson street and his name is Burns.

versity, Kingston. His many friends at the Mikado, where he was in charge of the mission of the Presbyterian church, will follow his future with much interest.

Geo. Easterbrook, who was in the Winnipeg hospital undergoing an operation, returned Tuesday.

Thos. Smith, John Warren, Peter Goldthorpe and Victor Laundre left Thursday for the Combine mine.

Sam Stewart, of Montreal, is registered at the Hilliard.

Oscar Smith, of the Sirdar, was in town Thursday.

J. E. Schwitzer, civil engineer for the C.P.R., is in town. He was in Wabigoon the fore part of the week surveying and making plans for the station and yard.

J. E. Wallbridge, of Belleville, Ont., is in town.

Druggist McKenzie, of Mine Centre, was in town this week.

E. J. Baucher, of Boucherville, is in town.

The water in Rainy river is now so high that some of the docks are floating. This is quite a change from the condition prevailing in the spring and summer.

The Mason & Risch Piano Co. has this week received the first direct shipment of Chickering pianos from Boston. This is the oldest piano manufacturing company in America, and the local agent of Mason & Risch Co. will be pleased to show you this latest shipment.

Mrs. Thos. Partington, who has been visiting here for a month, returned to her home in West Selkirk on Saturday morning last.

Hugh Armstrong, manager of the Dominion Fish Co., was in town this week, having completely recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. Murchison, of Port Frances, was in town this week.

C. J. Hollands, of Port Frances, is in town.

J. H. Murphy has recovered from the fever and is able to be about again.

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